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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PINS, RP

SUBJECT: MISUARI AND THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT

REF: MANILA 5305

1. IN THE PAST FEW DAYS THERE HAVE BEEN CONFLICTING REPORTS IN THE SAUDI PRESS ABOUT WHETHER MISAUARI HAS AGREED TO RETURN TO THE PHILIPPINE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE "PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT". MOST OF THE ARTICLES SAYING HE WILL RETURN HAVE BEEN DATELINED MANILA. THE MOST AUTHORITATIVE STORY APPEARS TO ONE THAT APPEARED IN TODAY'S EDITION OF THE WELL-CONNECTED DAILY AL-BILAD IN WHICH HE DENIES HE HAS DECIDED TO RETURN. THE COMPLETE TEXT IS CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH TWO.

2. BEGIN TEXT: DR. NUR MISUARI, LEADER OF THE ISLAMIC MORO LIBERATION FRONT DENIED THE NEWS CIRCULATED BY WORLD NEWS AGENCIES CONCERNING HIS RETURN TO THE PHILIPPINES TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT ON SOME POINTS ON WHICH BOTH SIDES AGREE.  
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MISUARI TOLD AL BILAD THAT WHILE THE QUADRIPARTITE COMMITTEE IS MEETING IN JIDDA HE IS STILL HERE HEADING A BIG MORO DELEGATION AWAITING AN ACCEPTABLE AGREEMENT. MISUARI SAID THAT HTERE ARE STILL 700 CIVILIANS DETAINED BY THE PHILIPPINES GOVERNMENT PLUS THREE HUNDRED PERSONS WHOSE WHEREABOUTS IS

UNKNOWN. MISUARI SAID THAT HE PARTICIPATES IN THE MEETINGS OF THE QUADRIpartite COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF SAUDI ARABIA, SOMALIA, SENEGAL AND LIBYA WHICH IS ATTEMPTING TO SETTLE THE CONFLICT. END TEXT.

3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT MISUARI JUST HASN'T MADE UP HIS MIND YET.  
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